Acquisition Reform Success Story



F-16/PACAF Depot Initiative CORAL FALCON

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Program Description

Coral Falcon established a depot facility in the Pacific Theater to conduct structural modifications, drop in maintenance and strip and paint for Kunsan AB F-16s. This capability increases aircraft availability and eliminates ferry flight requirements.

How Streamlining Made A Difference

The advantages of establishing a depot facility for Kunsan AB F-16s was obvious. Relocating the source of modification to Korea increases combat aircraft and pilot availability by 520 combat days over the next 5 years. Also, the elimination of the ferry flight requirement provides a cost savings of \$2.3M. Good management practice also dictated that prepositioning of support resources provides for a \$1.36M cost avoidance and reduction of overall program risk. Needless to say, the sooner the depot was established and put on line the better...for the war fighter and the Air Force.

MEASURE	
Contract Data Requirements List	None Required - contractor participation used
Statement of Objective	1 page vs. 28 page SOW
Mil Specs and Standards	None Required
Contractor Past Performance	Co-equal with technical, cost, performance in eval
Source Selection Cycle Time	69 days vs. 229 day norm
Depot established and 1st F-16 Inducted	8 months after RFP <u>release</u>

<u>Bottom Line:</u> The use of streamlined acquisition procedures (doing it **better**) resulted in an expedited first aircraft depot induction (doing it **faster**) saving operational funds (doing it **cheaper**).